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In re patent application of:

HÖNIG

Serial No. 09/938,331

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Examiner: B. Musser

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A PLASTIC EDGE STRIP TO A

PLATE-LIKE WORKPIECE AND SUCH A WORKPIECE

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 OCT 0 9 2003 TC 1700

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 7, 2003. The three month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire October 7, 2003, making this a timely filed response to the present Office Action.

It is initially noted, with appreciation, that the Examiner conducted a telephone interview with Applicant's representative on July 28, 2003 wherein the Examiner indicated that the second priority paper had been found in the case, and that a preliminary amendment changing the dependency of claim 10 had accidentally not been entered.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow this application.

Attorney Docket No. 24759

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above captioned application as follows: